





of Great Britain had been voted again and again, yet the colonies had won the day.

GENERAL LORD ROBERTS ON IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

LONDON, 13th June.  
Speaking at a banquet at the Marlborough House, in the presence of the Agents-General for the colonies, General Lord Roberts, lately Commander-in-Chief in India, made reference to the question of the defence of the Empire. He emphasised the fact that Great Britain was an Eastern and a colonial power, a circumstance which, he said, necessitated the securing a system of Imperial defence, thus enabling the great potential resources of the United Kingdom, the colonies, and India to be utilised to their best advantage.

MR. ARNOLD MORLEY—CHARGE BY THE "FALL MAIL GAZETTE."

LONDON, 13th June.  
The Fall Mail Gazette of the evening denounces the Right Hon. Arnold Morley, the Postmaster-General, Gladstonian Liberal M.P. for Gillingham, on the ground of bribery and corruption at the general election, and also on the ground that he had compromised on the discreditable grounds the petition presented against his return. For those reasons the Fall Mail Gazette insists that Mr. Morley should resign.

In the House of Commons Mr. Morley, referring to the matter, absolutely denied the charges, and refused to institute an action for libel against the newspaper.

THE DYNAMITE PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S POLICY.

LONDON, 13th June.  
Mr. Gresham, Secretary of State for the United States, has said that the President Cleveland will feel the sentiment which is expressed when last in office respecting the Irish-American political prisoners of Great Britain. The United States Ambassador in London, Mr. Gresham, has accordingly been instructed to watch the interests of Gallagher and his associates.

THE P. AND O. COMPANY—INCREASED FARES.

LONDON, 13th June.  
In presiding at the half-yearly meeting of the P. and O. Company today Sir Thomas Sutherland, chairman of the company, said that the company had increased its fares for the purpose of maintaining its position in the market.

THE LATE DOCKERS' STRIKE AT HULL.

LONDON, 13th June.  
The late dockers' strike at Hull, which cost the company £24,000, the dockers £30,000, and resulted in a loss of £70,000 to the town.

THE CLARENCE ATTEMPT.

LONDON, 13th June.  
The "Hull" of the Hull & London has been forbidden to play the air "Hull & London." It is reported that the author of the music, who is an ex-convict of the Gaol, has been removed from the Commission of the Peace.

THE CABLE TO NEW CALEDONIA.

LONDON, 13th June.  
The French cable-laying steamer *Francis* has sailed from New Caledonia on Saturday with 315 miles of cable for the line of cable to be laid between Noumea and Queensland. The work of laying the cable is to be completed within three months.

GREAT BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

LONDON, 13th June.  
At the suggestion of Mr. William Blandell, M.P. for Epsom, Mr. Gladstone has formally agreed to receive the Hon. Charles D. Adams, Secretary of the United States, in the event of President Cleveland proposing a treaty referring international disputes to arbitration.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

LONDON, 13th June.  
The French Navy Estimates provide for the building of 32 additional warships, including three *Scorpions* of 11,000 tons each and 29 torpedo-boats.

THE ELECTIONS IN GERMANY.

LONDON, 13th June.  
At the elections in the German Reichstag, Count Herbert Bismarck, the nephew of the great chief of the Moderate Socialists, has been elected. Herr Bismarck, who proposed the modifications in the Army Bill which were adopted by the Reichstag, has been elected.

ADAMANTION OF HAWAII.

LONDON, 13th June.  
Queen Lilouhalani of Hawaii, has notified that she has finally decided to abdicate, resigning a position from the Hawaiian throne.

AUSTRALIAN FUGITIVE NEARLY CAPTURED BY THE FRENCH AND GERMAN ARMIES.

LONDON, 13th June.  
The British consular agent at Sydney, Mr. Pidd, has been notified that a fugitive Australian, who is not averse to introducing Australian troops into the French War Office, has been captured by the French.

THE FRENCH WAR OFFICE HAS CONSENTED TO TRY THE EXPERIMENT OF USING AUSTRALIAN TROOPS FOR THE ARMY.

Mr. J. H. Giddens, the manager of the National Finance Association of New South Wales, has had an interesting interview with the chief of the Commercial Department in the British War Office, the introduction of Australian troops into the French War Office.

CHARGE AGAINST A LONDON COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

LONDON, 13th June.  
Mr. James Tinsley, one of the representatives for Battersea in the London County Council, has been charged with the offence of having been committed for trial for attempting to defraud a railway company of the value of a ticket.

ADJUDGMENT TO A YACHT—TWO BROTHERS OFFICERS DROWNED.

LONDON, 13th June.  
The P. and O. Company's *R.M.S. Suez* has down a yacht off Malta. Two brothers, who were on board, were drowned.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S SUCCESSION.

LONDON, 13th June.  
Vice-Admiral Erskine will probably succeed Admiral Tryon in command of the Mediterranean fleet.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

A fatal alarm of fire in a church at Moscow, during the holding of service, caused a panic which resulted in 130 persons being crushed to death.

ROBERT VIOLET.

Terrific forest fires have occurred in Minnesota, America, resulting in enormous destruction of property and loss of life. Four large towns have been consumed.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

A quantity of valuable lace was on exhibition at the Queen of Italy, which was on exhibition at the Chicago World's Fair, has been stolen.

Sir Henry Loch, Governor of the Colony, and British High Commissioner in South Africa, has reached Johannesburg from Pretoria, where the conference with President Kruger over the renewal of the Transvaal Convention had been held.

Sir H. E. Loch said that he hoped that his visit to the Transvaal would bring the British colonies and the Boer republics of South Africa into closer union.

LONDON, 13th June.

The New South Wales Cavalry and the Victoria Horse Artillery have been assigned places in the Royal procession on the occasion of the marriage of the Duke of York and Princess Mary.

There has been a renewal of the strike in Paris among the cabdrivers of the city.

At Frankfurt in Hungary, the Government authorities ordered a body of miners who were on strike to be deported from the town. A detachment of Hussars hunted the men from their houses, and several of them were killed.

At Godard, the New South Wales pugilist, has knocked out Kanaky, the American boxer, in the second round, in a match for 1,200 dollars.

Mr. Joseph McDonald, a New South Wales colonist, has given the sum of £25,000 to the Free Church of Scotland.

The business of Messrs. W. A. Gilbey, who was a partner in the firm, has been registered as a limited liability company with a capital of £2,000,000.

LONDON, 16th June.  
Lord Brassey has been appointed to succeed Lord Wolmer as one of the Lords-in-Waiting to Her Majesty the Queen.

The Government will not proclaim a public holiday the 8th of July, which is the day appointed for the marriage of the Duke of York and Princess Mary in the Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace.

The London Gazette of to-day contains an intimation that Her Majesty has been pleased to direct that the title of "honourable," bestowed upon colonial officials, shall be limited to those officials who have been recommended throughout the Empire.

FEES FOR PLEASANT WRITING.—The Fees of Messrs. G. and G. are recommended by 250 Newspapers.

They come as a boon and a blessing to men. The Pickwick, the Owl, and the Waverley. Sold by all booksellers. Bazaar of Initiation. Mackenzie & Cameron, Edinburgh, Scotland.

## THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Salote*, with the French mail of the 8th ult., arrived yesterday. The following telegrams are from India and Ceylon papers.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

SINGAPORE, 26th June.  
At a meeting of the Governor-General's Legislative Council to-day an Act was passed to amend the Coinage Act of 1870 and the Paper Currency Act of 1882. It takes effect at once and is based on the plan recommended by Lord Herschell's Committee, which is a modification of that submitted to the Secretary of State by the Governor-General in 1882. The Act provides for the immediate closing of the Indian Mints to the free coinage of silver. It is a part of the scheme that until further notice, rupees are to be minted from the mint in exchange for gold and silver at the rate of sixteen pence per rupee, and that silver and half-silver rupees to be received in payment of Government dues at the same rate, and only a sovereign or half-sovereign rupee is to be received in payment of Government dues at the rate of sixteen pence per rupee, and that silver and half-silver rupees to be received in payment of Government dues at the rate of sixteen pence per rupee, and that silver and half-silver rupees to be received in payment of Government dues at the rate of sixteen pence per rupee.

The total number of rupees in the Victoria is 422. No details of the disaster have yet been received. The French Government has sent a telegraphic message expressing sympathy with the British in their loss.

LONDON, 26th June.  
The Times states that the disaster to the Victoria occurred while the ship was changing line, and that the ship was hit by a shell from the enemy.

The survivors of the Victoria leave Tripoli to-day for Malta in H.M.S. *Victory*.

All the sick and prisoners were brought on deck.

REPORTING FATALITY AT PONNA.

PONNA, 26th June.  
A terrible boating accident happened on the river at Ponna yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. Three young officers belonging to the 7th Hussars accompanied by a Lieutenant, a Captain, and a Major, were on the river.

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## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Company Name | Price | Quantity | Total Value

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. | 100 | 100 | 10,000

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China | 100 | 100 | 10,000

Bank of China, Japan and the Straits Limited | 100 | 100 | 10,000

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## NOTICE OF FIRM.

THE Undermentioned Company will from this date be managed by one of the Partners of Messrs. SHEPHERD & CO. and Mr. C. RICH.

THE EASTERN MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1893.

BANKS.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

CAPITAL CALLED UP, £250,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

W. M. KENNEDY, Esq., Chairman.

Adolf von Arnim, Esq., Secretary.

Edmund Wilson, Esq., Secretary.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE.

The Hon. C. P. CHATER, Chairman.

HONGKONG OFFICE, 3, PRINCE STREET, HONGKONG.

Branches—HONGKONG, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI.

Agents—PENANG, SINGAPORE, AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST.

allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of £100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FLEXIBLE DEPOSIT at 3% PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1893.

THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £1,125,000.

BANKERS.

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—

For 12 months, 3%.

For 6 months, 2%.

For 3 months, 1%.

JOHN THURBURN, Manager.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1893.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

of Archibald Macdonald, Agent, Birmingham, Bham.

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